

NEWENT RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Council Offices,
Newent.

To the Chairman and Members of the Rural District Council of
Newent.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year
1942. The report itself is abbreviated and retains only essential
features and such figures as should be necessary for purposes of
records and comparison.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

C.D. Outred.

(Acting) Medical Officer of Health.

August, 1943.

THE HISTORY OF THE

AMERICAN PEOPLE

FROM 1776 TO 1876

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ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1942.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE
RURAL DISTRICT OF NEWENT, 1942.

Area in Acres. 40,845.

Population. 8,264.

Rateable Value. £26,233.

Number of Inhabited Houses. 2,295.

Sum represented by one penny rate. £117. 12. 7.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS

<u>Live Births.</u>				<u>Still Births.</u>			
	Male.	Female.			Male.	Female.	
Legitimate.	61	55	- 116	Legitimate.	-	1	
Illegitimate.	3	3	- 6	Illegitimate.	-	-	
	64	58	- 122			1	

Birth Rate 14.7 per 1,000 population.

DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

	Male.	Female.	
Legitimate.	3	2	- 5
Illegitimate.	-	-	
	3	2	- 5

Infantile Death Rate 40.9 per 1,000 Live Births.

Deaths. Nett Total 89 Males 47 Females 42

21 deaths were transferred into the District. None transferred out.

Death rate 10.6 per 1,000 population.

Causes of Death were certified as follows:-

<u>DISEASE.</u>	<u>MALE.</u>	<u>FEMALE.</u>
Diphtheria.		1
Tuberculosis (Respiratory).		3
Cancer Bucc.	1	1
" Uterus.		1
" Stomach Duodenum.	1	
" Breast.		1
" Other sites.	6	2
Intra Cranial Lesions.	5	5
Heart Disease.	13	13
Other Diseases of Circulatory System.	2	1
Bronchitis.	3	1
Pneumonia.	1	
Other Respiratory Diseases.		1
Nephritis.	4	1

Causes of death contd.

<u>DISEASE.</u>	<u>MALE.</u>	<u>FEMALE.</u>
Other Digestive Diseases.	2	2
Premature Birth.		1
Congenital malformations, Injury at birth.	2	
Road Traffic Accidents.		1
Other violent deaths.	2	3
All other causes.	5	4

TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFICATIONS.

<u>Pulmonary</u>			<u>Non. Pulmonary.</u>		
Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
1.	2.	3	3.	-	3 - 6

3 of the above were admitted to Sanatorium for treatment.

Number of cases on the register at the end of the year 1942:

<u>Pulmonary.</u>			<u>Non. Pulmonary.</u>		
Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
13.	13.	26.	19.	9.	28 - 54

Infectious diseases notified excluding Tuberculosis:

Diphtheria.	24.
Scarlet Fever.	11.
Pneumonia.	6.
Erysipelas.	1.

Age groups at which persons were notified as suffering with Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever and Erysipelas:

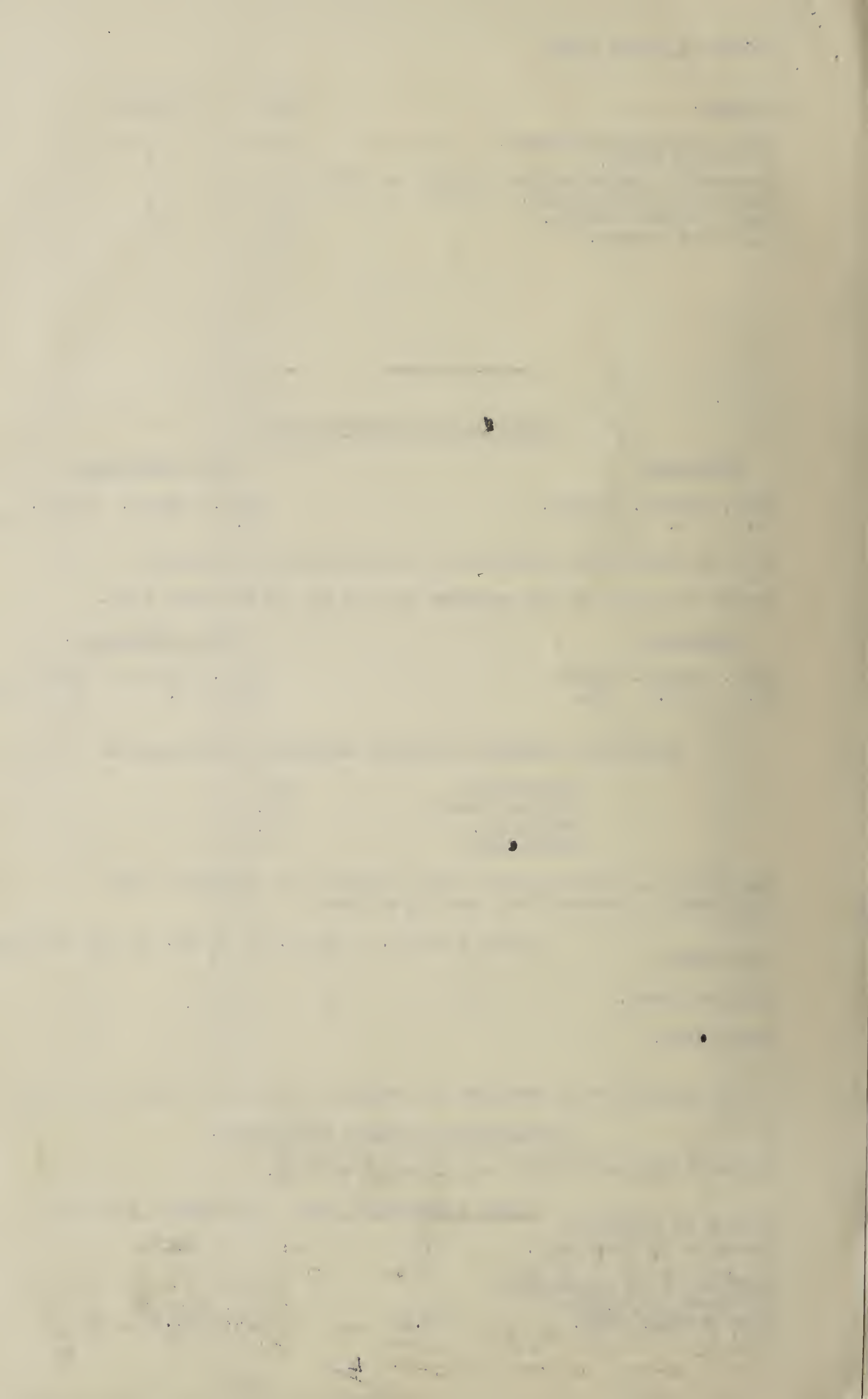
	Under 5 years.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 and upwards.
Diphtheria.	4	7	9	4
Scarlet Fever.	1	7	2	1
Erysipelas.				1

31 persons were admitted to Isolation Hospital during the year.

Immunisation against Diphtheria.

Number immunised at the end of the year 1942.

	<u>Under 5 years of age.</u>	<u>5 and under 15 years.</u>
Number of children known to be immunised.	275	873
Percentage of population at these age groups 31st December 1942.	38.9	64.6



Comparative figures of Birth, Death and Infantile Mortality Rates.

	<u>Newent.</u>	<u>England and Wales.</u>	<u>County of Gloucestershire.</u>
Birth rate.	14.7	15.8	18.1
Death rate.	10.6	11.6	11.8
Infantile)			
Mortality).	40.9	49	38

THE REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR THE

YEAR 1942.

The following particulars have been submitted to me by Mr. Jenkinson, the Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor:-

FOOD INSPECTION. No regular slaughtering took place in this area during the year, but regular visits have been made to Butchers shops and food stores. The following articles of food were condemned:-

113 tins of mixed food stuffs (baked beans etc).
53 tins of apples, plums and tomatos.
30 lbs of corned beef.
1 pigs pluck.

MILK AND DAIRIES ORDER. During the year, 342 visits were made to milk producers and dairy premises. 21 verbal notices and 32 written notices were served on occupiers for contraventions in respect of cleanliness, lime washing etc. Subsequent reinspections showed that all these contraventions received attention. 10 cow sheds were improved or re-constructed to the standard required for accredited milk production. 30 bacteriological milk samples for cleanliness were taken, of these, 9 were unsatisfactory. In these cases, the premises were visited and kept under observation until the cause of the trouble was located. In a few cases it was found that the producer was "wot" milking. 17 samples of school milk were taken by the County Council from producers in this area. Of these, 15 were satisfactory.

HOUSING ACTS. Owing to the shortage of labour in the building industry and the difficulty of getting work executed, notices requiring owners to execute works at dwelling houses were confined as much as possible to urgent and necessary repairs.

COMPLAINTS. The following complaints classified under headings, were received and investigated, and the necessary action taken:-

General defects in dwelling houses.	17
Water supply.	11
Defective drainage.	18
Nuicances from pig keeping.	1
Vermin infestation.	3
re Sanitary Accommodation.	2
Offensive accumulations.	3
Miscellaneous.	50

20 new drainage systems were installed. These were tested with water.

NEWENT SEWAGE WORKS. During the year, an additional sludge lagoon was constructed at the Cleeve Lane Works.

WATER SUPPLY. A new borehole was sunk at Fishpools Village, Kempley, to supply this Hamlet as the existing supply - a shallow catch pit - was polluted. The bacteriologists report on this water is given below:

Nature of sample - Untreated public water supply from
* Fishpool Borehole.

Remarks - Satisfactory.

11 water samples were taken during the year. Of these, 8 were unsatisfactory. Of the 3 satisfactory samples, 2 were of new boreholes and 1 an existing well. Of the 8 unsatisfactory samples, 1 well was closed for use, and in 6 other cases, work was carried out to remedy the pollution. The remaining sample was taken from the well at Dymock C. of E. School. This was referred to the County Council for their attention.

WATER SUPPLY cntd. The proposed water scheme for Dymock, deferred for the duration of the War, will ensure main water for this School.

NEWENT FLOODING. In times of heavy rain fall, Newent has been liable to flooding through the over flowing of Newent brook, sometimes called Peacocks Brook. To remedy this, the sill of a short culvert was lowered 18" and the bed of the brook re-graded for 300 yards. From observations made during the heavy rain fall of January, 1943, there is no doubt that the carrying out of this work prevented flooding of the Town.

RIVERS POLLUTION (PREVENTION) ACT. It was found that pollution from the Newent Gas Works was entering a small brook. This was remedied by all waste liquor being consumed in the boiler plant.

CARAVAN SITES. 1 small caravan site was provided with the necessary water supply, convenience etc., and licensed under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

MISCELLANEOUS VISITS. The following miscellaneous visits were made during the year:-

re Water supply.	114
re Salvage and removal of iron railings.	203
re Petroleum Storage.	6
re Council Houses.	101
re Drainage.	27
re Evacuation matters.	307
re Caravan sites.	6
re Building Work.	102
re Bakehouses and Food stores.	26
re Inspections.	104
Miscellaneous.	27

*
Plate Count. Yeastrel agar 3 days 22 C. aerobically - 20 per ml.
" " " " 2 days 37 C. " - 0 per ml.

Probable number of Coliform bacilli, MacConkey
2 days, 37 C. - 0 per 100 ml.

Approximate proportions of faecal and non faecal coli:
(a) Faecal coli. - 0 per cent.
(b) Non-faecal coli. - 0 per cent.

